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SUBJ: SHANAAN TRIAL- FURTHER UP- DATE

REF: KHARTOUM 727

1. DEFENSE CASE: LAST TWO WEEKS OF SHANAAN TRIAL HAVE BEEN CHARACTERIZED BY INACTION. AS REPORTED REFTEL, COURT RESUMED SESSIONS APRIL 8 TO HEAR DEFENSE CASE. THIS LASTED THREE DAYS AND CONSISTED LARGELY OF STATEMENTS (A) BY DEFENDANTS THAT VARIOUS PROSECUTION WITNESSES WERE EITHER LYING OR THEIR TESTIMONY WAS INADMISSABLE AND (B) BY WITNESSES CONCERNING WHEREABOUTS OF DEFENDANTS DURING PERIOD OF ALLEGED CONSPIRACY. LATTER APPARENTLY DESIGNED INDICATE THAT DEFENDANTS OFTEN IN DIFFERENT LOCATIONS DURING PERIOD IN QUESTION, MAKING CONSPIRACY BOTH DIFFICULT AND UNLIKELY.

2. SUMMATIONS BEGIN: AFTER SESSION APR 10 COURT AGAIN RECESSED, THIS TIME UNTIL APR 18, TO ALLOW BOTH SIDES TO PREPARE CLOSING ARGUMENTS. ON 18 TH EIGHT OF NINE DEFENDANTS MADE THEIR CLOSING STATEMENTS PROTESTING INNOCENCE AND CHALLENGING MUCH OF TESTIMONY PRESENTED. LAST DEFENDANT ASKED RIGHT PRODUCE ADDITIONAL WITNESS. REQUEST GRANTED AND COURT HAS NOW BEEN RECESSED ONCE AGAIN UNTIL APR 28 WHEN WITNESS WILL BE HEARD AND PROSECUTION WILL SUM UP.

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EM COMMENT: TRIAL NOW ATTRACTING ALMOST NO INTEREST, BUT BY
STRINGING IT OUT GOVERNMENT MAY FEEL THAT IT IS AT LEAST PARTIALLY
FILLING GAP PENDING ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEXT STEP IN LEGAL PROCESS
AGAINST BSO TERRORISTS.
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